

St. Colman's Primary School and All Saints' Nursery Unit (Annaclone)

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Progress Through Partnership, Leading To Excellence



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Vision statement: To be an inclusive, caring School where childhood and community are valued; one which inspires learning for life and develops the personal qualities needed to succeed in a rapidly changing world. This vision will be best realised as we undergo a continual journey of **progress through partnership**, **leading to excellence**.

January Update

Happy New Year and welcome back to an exciting new term at St. Colman's Primary School and All Saints' Nursery Unit. Make sure you have downloaded the school app. 245 of you have already and our good name continues to grow through word of mouth and through offering the world a brilliant portal into our school.

Make sure you have also signed up to our Parents Facebook Group and/or our Twitter: @stcolmansps

Breakfast Club

Continues to be a huge hit with our children and is the perfect start to the school day.

Single child: £1.00

Two or more children from the same

family: £2.00

ASC - Fee £2.00/day for each child. (NURSERY – P3 1.45pm – 2.35pm) **EASC** (NURSERY – P7 2.35pm-6pm) - Fee £10 per session (2.35pm up to 6pm)/6 per ½ session (2.35pm up to 4pm.)



This year we are running our (NU-P6) Parent -Teacher Meetings on two consecutive afternoon/evenings. Your child's teacher will be in contact soon regarding an appointment time. The meetings will take place on both Tuesday 11 February and Wednesday 12 February. EASC will not be available on either afternoon.

















Applying for a Nursery Unit or Primary One place for September 2020

If your child is starting in the nursery or in the primary school in September 2020, you can apply for their place online from Tuesday 7 January 2020.

The closing date and time for pre-school and primary one applications will be 12.00 midnight on Thursday 30 January 2020.

To apply for a Nursery or Primary 1 place for September 2020 please visit the web address below.

https://pupilservices.eani.org.uk/citizenportal_live/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=/citizenportal_live/

If you have any questions, difficulties with the online form or would like to arrange a visit to the nursery unit or the school please don't hesitate to contact the school office on 028 40671363.













IQM Flagship Award for Inclusion 2018 - 2021



Read all about our successful December Inspection on the school website. Thank you to all those members of the community that selflessly gave up their time to meet with the Inspector on the day. The report makes for remarkable reading and The Outlook Newspaper will cover the good news story on January 22nd edition.

P7 Service of Light

Primary 7 will be making their pre-Confirmation pledges and commitment on Tuesday 14th January.

Catholic Schools Week Mass

Dromore Diocese will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week with their annual mass on Thursday 30th of January. This years' service will take place in Banbridge at 1030. All 33 primary schools from the diocese will be present and Bishop Martin will be in attendance. The theme for Catholic Schools this year is *Living In Harmony with God's Creation*.

House Cup

Congratulations to Ulster and our Yellow House on winning the House Cup for Term 1b. All children in this house will have a non-uniform day on Friday 17th January to celebrate.



Library Van - (P2 to P4)

The van will be visiting the school on both the 13^{th} and 27th of this month and 10^{th} of February.











P6 Transfer Information Afternoon

Parents of children looking to sit the transfer examination in November 2020 are invited to an information session in the school on Thursday 6 February. The meeting will take place in the P6 room from 1400 - 1435.

Our School Values

Each month this year we will be taking one of our school values and using it as a focus for our Pastoral Assemblies each morning. For the months of January and February we are looking at Collaboration and Kindness/Thoughtfulness.

Values Calendar for 2019-20

September	Resilience		
October	Honesty		
November	Respect		
December	Happiness		
January	Collaboration		
February	Kindness/Thoughtfulness		
March	Tolerance		
April	Perseverance		
May	Responsibility		
June	Appreciation		

CROSSCAUSE APPEAL



Thank you to everyone who joined in with our Crosscause Appeal once again this year.











Adverse Weather 2020

Any school closures will be announced FIRST via the school app and then on the Parents Facebook Group.

Paired Reading - Primary 5 children

Mrs McMahon and Mr White will be holding an information session on 13/02/20 regarding the Paired Reading initiative. The session will take place in the P5 classroom with more details to follow.

African Culture Week - MARCH 30 to APRIL 3

To celebrate our British Council 'Connecting Schools' partnership with schools in Kenya, we have decided (along with our local cluster of Primary Schools (St. Pauls P.S., Cabra and St. Mary's P.S., Dechomet) to organise African Culture week in each of our schools. Each class from N-P7 will adopt an African Country for the week and explore a continent rich in language, music, art, geography, wildlife and surprises. Watch this space....













January/February 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1.	2.	3.
6. TERM BEGINS	7. Admissions Information Evening - 7pm	8. P5 SWIMMING P6 LIBRARY	9.	10.
13. LIBRARY VAN READING ASSEMBLY	14. SERVICE OF LIGHT AT 7pm	15. P5 SWIMMING P7 CRASH NI QUIZ	16. P6 ASSEMBLY	17. YELLOW HOUSE NON-UNIFORM DAY
20	21. P4 Recycling Talk from ABC	22. P5 SWIMMING St. John's PS visit to St. Colman's (P7)	23. P7 ASSEMBLY	24.
27. LIBRARY VAN	28. P7 Victorians Day	29. P5 SWIMMING	30. P5 ASSEMBLY Catholic Schools Week Mass 2020 NU/P1 ADMISSIONS CLOSE	31. P7 Credit Union Quiz
3. P7 Transfer Interviews	4. P7 Transfer Interview	5. P7 Transfer Interview P5 SWIMMING P6 Library	6. P3 ASSEMBLY P6 Transfer Information Session	8.
10. LIBRARY VAN	11.P6 Shared Education	12. P5 SWIMMING P7 Library	13. P7 WAU Trip to Downpatrick.	14. AMMA CENTRE TEACCHER TRAINING DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED











